## Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 49, line 12, with the following redlined paragraph:

The releases of paclitaxel from PLC-PEG-PLC 4000-35/35/30 pastes into 37°C PBSA are shown in Figures 2A and 2B. Figure 2A is a graph representing the release of paclitaxel from non-irradiated sample, while Figure 2B is a graph representing the release of paclitaxel from a sample irradiated with 2.5 Mrad  $\gamma$ -ray, where the samples are PLC-PEG-PLC 4000-35/35/30 pastes in PBSA at 37°C.